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REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

The additions to the library during the last six years have been steadily increasing, the number received and recorded during the twelve months ending Nov. 30, 1878, being 2946, or 248 more than were received in 1877, and more than double the number received in 1873.

Of these accessions 477 were volumes, 2344 pamphlets and part of periodicals, and 125 maps, engravings, photographs, etc.; 2169 were octavos, 579 quartos, 62 folios, and 11 duodecimos.

They were derived from the following sources:—

Societies	1203	Bureau of Education	2
Editors	675	Jos. Leidy	2
Isaiah V. Williamson Fund	526	Pennsylvania Board of Centennial Managers	2
Authors	161	Netherland Centennial Commission	2
Wilson Fund	93	Indian Museum	1
Dr. Robert Bridges	67	James M. Magraw	1
War Department	53	Geo. W. Childs	1
Geological Survey of New Zealand	29	Council of the City of Manchester	1
Publishers	21	John S. Haines	1
Department of the Interior	19	Smithsonian Institution	1
Conarroe Fund	13	Department of Agriculture	1
Geological Survey of India	11	S. S. Haldeman	1
J. H. Redfield	9	Allen B. Lemmon	1
Engineer Department, U. S. A.	6	C. F. Parker	1
Geological Survey of Pennsylvania	6	Pennsylvania Board of Agriculture	1
Minister of Public Works, France	5	Mrs. Gabb	1
Treasury Department	5	T. C. Chamberlain	1
A. J. Parker	3	Commissioners of Fairmount Park	1
East Indian Government	3	R. J. L. Guppy	1
Wm. S. Vaux	3	Department of Marine and Fisheries, Canada	1
Geological Survey of Canada	3	Mariano Barcena	1
T. R. Peale	3		
Trustees of New York State Library	2		
Heirs of Dr. Jos. Carson	2		

They were divided as follows:—

Journals	2057	Voyages and Travels	40
Geology	266	Ornithology	23
Botany	100	Medicine	21
General Natural History	93	Chemistry	17
Conchology	61	Agriculture	17
Anthropology	52	Entomology	15
Anatomy and Physiology	46	Physical Science	14
History	44	Ichthyology	14

Bibliography	13	Helminthology	6
Biography	11	Encyclopædias	5
Herpetology	9	Mammalogy	4
Mineralogy	9	Useful Arts	4
Literature	6		

The large number of journals and periodicals received during the year is consequent upon the efforts which have been made to obtain supplies of deficiencies from corresponding societies and editors. Most of the societies addressed on the subject have sent such of the missing parts of their publications as they could furnish. All the new scientific journals brought to the notice of the Library Committee during the year have been obtained either by exchange or subscription.

The accessions have been catalogued immediately upon their reception, and, in addition, the catalogue of the department of general natural history has been completed, and the titles of nearly all the works on anatomy and physiology, with the exception of the pamphlets, have been entered on the cards. Reference catalogues of the departments of voyages and travels, and general natural history have been copied from the card entries by Mr. Thomas P. Parker, who has also proceeded as rapidly as possible with the numbering of the books.

For the most valuable of the monographic and special works we have again to acknowledge our indebtedness to the enlightened liberality of Mr. Isaiah V. Williamson. In the expenditure of the Williamson Fund care has been taken to order such works as are of most importance to the student, which are not, for the most part, to be found elsewhere in the city, and which give special character to the library of the Academy. All the books specially applied for by the working members of the Academy have been promptly ordered, and nearly all received.

For the reason stated in my last report, the general financial depression, but few books have been bound during the year, such expense being incurred only where it was absolutely necessary to preserve the volumes from injury.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

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Librarian.